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Group Art Unit :

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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO MAY 12, 2003 OFFICE ACTION AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

This Communication is submitted in response to the Office Action issued on May 12, 2003 in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 12, 2003 Office Action is due June 12, 2003. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the May 12, 2003 Office Action, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 one of the following IV Groups of inventions:

- I. Claims 1-46, drawn to a UV block material and a method of using the
 UV block material;
- II. Claims 47-54, drawn to a coating composition;
- III. Claims 55-56, drawn to a coating composition; and
- IV. Claims 57-64, drawn to a multi-layer coating system.

In response, applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I, i.e. Claims 1-46, drawn to a UV block material and a method of using the UV block material.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed to supplement the Information Disclosure Statement that applicants filed on July 23, 2002 in connection with the subject application.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants would like to direct the Examiner's attention to the four references which are both listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A and attached hereto. The three U.S. Patent references attached hereto were cited in a PCT International Search Report in related PCT International Application No. PCT/USO1/23138. A copy of the PCT application,

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published as PCT International Publication No. WO 02/08664 A1, with the International Search Report, is attached hereto.

Applicants are submitting the subject Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3) before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, no fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

CONCLUSION

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication and Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. However, if any fee is required to preserve the pendency of the subject application, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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